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TITLE: A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR INTERFACING VARIABLE-RATE
SAMPLED DIGITAL AUDIO INFORMATION TO A STRING OF
UNIFORM-SIZED BLOCKS, AND A UNITARY MEDIUM SO
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Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, please insert the following paragraph before the first full paragraph beginning on line 1:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/341,911, filed November 24, 1998, now U.S. Patent 6,661,762, which is herein incorporated by reference in its entirety.--

On page 1, please amend the first full paragraph beginning on line 1, as follows:

--The invention relates ~~to a method as recited in the preamble of Claim 1~~ generally to the field of digital audio encoding, and more specifically to a method for mapping sampled digital audio information onto a linear physical mapping space that is partitioned into a string of uniform-sized blocks. Present state of the art of digital audio encoding is the well-known Compact Disc system with its ramifications. Progress in storage technology and audio encoding technology allows an increase in the amount of audio information on a unitary medium such as conforming to the standard CD dimensions. A particular feature is variable-rate encoding, which, however, requires an easy accessible indicator organization for subsequent read-accessing of the string of Audio Units.--